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Communist forces in North Korea have constituted constal and beach defenses at well in-sem (possibly 127-37, 39-00; CH-Acco) near Wonsengers for the purpose of protecting Youghness Bay or the east coast of forth force, and for controlling IN naval activities in that area. Details concerning these defences are as Pollows:

Strettegic Defenses.

These are in a mountainous area about 5 kilometers south of Songhyan, and consist of 13 prepared artillery positions arranged in 5 groups. These Lositions have been constructed of stone, taking advantage of the topography and using trees in the nountainous area as natural camouflage. These strategic defenses are equipped with radar, and with auti-aircraft guns.

Beach Defenses,

b. These defenses extend for 15 kilometers from Munp'yongni (127-21, 39-14) (CT-5844) to Wonsan, and southward from Wonsan for about 5 kilometers. These positions consist of machine-gum and mortar entrepchments located from 2 to 5 kilometers from the shore; they are connected by communications trenches.

Sea Defenses.

c. Sea mines have been laid some distance from the shore at a point about 50 kilometers east of Songhyon. Various obstructions, since and bound together with barbed wire, have been placed in the water made at the shore.

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d. Trenches and fortifications have been placed along the highway and rail line north of the strategic defenses mentioned in paragraph (a) above. Land mines have been installed on the highway at the crossroads about 6 kilometers west of Wonsan.